

Public Law 86-787

AN ACT

September 14, 1960
[S. 1092]

To provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas, and for other purposes.

Wichita Federal
reclamation proj-
ect, Kans.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to construct, operate, and maintain the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, consisting of a dam, reservoir, and related facilities near Cheney, Kansas, on the North Fork of the Ninnescah River, Kansas, for the purposes of furnishing water for municipal uses, controlling floods, facilitating irrigation, enhancing recreational opportunities, preserving and propagating fish and wildlife, and for related purposes.

43 USC 371 note.

SEC. 2. In constructing, operating, and maintaining the works authorized by this Act, the Secretary shall be governed by the Federal reclamation laws (Act of June 17, 1902, 32 Stat. 388, and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto), except as is otherwise provided in this Act.

SEC. 3. Construction of the project shall not be commenced, and no construction contracts therefor shall be awarded, until a contract or contracts complying with the provisions of this Act have been entered into with the city of Wichita under which it shall have obligated itself to repay to the United States, within a period of not more than forty years from the time water is first made available from said works, those portions of the Federal costs of constructing, operating, and maintaining the works herein authorized which are allocated to municipal water supply, and interest on the unamortized balance of the amount of construction costs so allocated including interest during construction. If any net revenues are derived from temporary water supply contracts, prior to the end of the repayment period for water furnished from, by, or through the works authorized herein, the construction cost obligation of the city may be decreased by that portion of the amount of any such net revenues which bears the same proportion to the total amount of such net revenues as the amount of the project costs allocated to municipal water supply bears to the total Federal costs of constructing the project. Interest shall be at the average rate, which rate shall be certified by the Secretary of the Treasury, paid by the United States on its marketable long-term securities outstanding on the date of this Act and adjusted to the nearest one-eighth of 1 per centum. Upon the completion of the payment of the city's construction cost obligation, together with the interest thereon, the city shall have a permanent right to the use of that portion of the storage space in the project allocable to municipal water supply purposes.

53 Stat. 1194.
43 USC 485h.

SEC. 4. Contracts may be entered into with the city of Wichita pursuant to the provisions of this Act without regard to the last sentence of subsection (c) of section 9 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939.

SEC. 5. The Secretary is authorized to transfer to the city of Wichita the care, operation, and maintenance of the works herein authorized and, if such transfer is made, to deduct from the obligation of the city the reasonable capitalized equivalent of that portion of the estimated operation and maintenance costs of the undertaking which, if the United States continued to operate the works, would be allocated to flood control and fish and wildlife purposes. Prior to taking over the care, operation, and maintenance of said works, the city shall obligate itself to operate them in accordance with criteria specified by the Secretary of the Army with respect to flood control and by the Secretary of the Interior with respect to fish and wildlife.

SEC. 6. The Secretary may make such reasonable provision in connection with the works of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, in accordance with section 2 of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended, 16 U.S.C., sec. 661, and the following), as he finds to be required for the preservation and propagation of fish and wildlife, and to acquire approximately 2,500 acres of land for wildlife management purposes within and adjacent to Cheney Reservoir. A minimum pool of approximately ten thousand acre-feet shall be maintained in said reservoir for fish life. An appropriate portion of the construction cost of the Cheney division of the project shall be allocated as provided in said Act and it, together with the portion of the construction cost allocated to flood control and the portions of the operation and maintenance costs allocated to these functions or the equivalent capitalized value thereof, shall be nonreimbursable and nonreturnable under the Federal reclamation laws. Appropriate portions of the project area may be made available by the Secretary of the Interior to the Kansas Forestry, Fish and Game Commission for fish and wildlife management as provided in sections 3 and 4 of said Act.

72 Stat. 563.
16 USC 662(h).

SEC. 7. The Secretary may, upon conclusion of a suitable agreement with any qualified agency of the State of Kansas or political subdivision or agency thereof for assumption of the administration, operation, and maintenance thereof at the earliest practicable date, provide minimum basic public recreation facilities at or near Cheney Reservoir and the cost thereof incurred by the United States shall be nonreimbursable and nonreturnable under the Federal reclamation laws.

SEC. 8. Expenditures for Cheney Reservoir may be made without regard to the soil survey and land classification requirements of the Interior Department Appropriation Act, 1954 (67 Stat. 261, 266-267).

SEC. 9. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated for construction of the works authorized by this Act not to exceed \$18,274,000, plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in construction costs as indicated by engineering cost indices applicable to the types of construction involved herein.

Appropriation.

Approved September 14, 1960.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Amending the Act of July 14, 1960, to extend the time within which the United States Constitution One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Anniversary Commission shall report to Congress and including certain amendments relating to housing.

September 14, 1960
[H. J. Res. 784]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution providing for the preparation and completion of plans for a comprehensive observance of the one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of the formation of the Constitution of the United States", approved July 14, 1960 (Public Law 86-650), is amended to read as follows:

U. S. Constitution,
anniversary.
Report to Congress,
extension.

"SEC. 5. The Commission shall report to Congress on its activities (including, but not limited to, its recommendations for legislation) not later than January 3, 1961."